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DETAILED ACTION

1. This action is in response to applicant's amendment filed on 30 November 2005. **Claims 1-15** are now pending in the present application.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

2. The 112 rejection of the previous office action is withdrawn.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1-2, 4-7, 10-11, and 13-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Spilker et al.** (hereinafter **Spilker**) (**US 6,717,547 B2**) in view of **Rabinowitz et al.** (hereinafter **Rabinowitz**) (**US 6,522,297 B1**).

Regarding **claim 1**, **Spilker** discloses an user terminal (102) which reads on the claimed "mobile terminal" (see col. 8, lines 22-39; Figs. 1 and 6) comprising:

a radio subsystem operable to receive a radio signal (see col. 10, lines 12-13; Figs. 1, 2 "ref. 206", and 6);

a ranging signal receiving subsystem for receiving digital television (DTV) signals for use as terrestrial ranging signals (see col. 8, lines 41-col. 9, lines 1-7; Figs. 1, 2 "ref. 210", and 6),

a DTV signal comprising synchronization bursts (e.g., pulse) which are equally spaced in time (see col. 7, lines 28-48), where the TV signals have a synchronization pulse in which the equally spaced in time would be inherent because of the synchronization pulse as evidenced by the fact that one of ordinary skill in the art clearly recognized;

a IF filter (812A-B) which reads on the claimed “common filter” operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem (see col. 14, lines 34-45; Fig. 8). As a note, Spilker further teaches of receiving the DTV signal (see col. 8, lines 41-col. 9, lines 1-7; Figs. 1 2 “ref. 210”, and 6) in which the signal must be down-converted to meet the bandpass of the common filter (812A-B) (see col. 14, lines 34-45; Fig. 8). Also, Spilker further teaches of a correlation between timing of TV signals and base stations (see col. 8, lines 55-58). Spilker does not specifically disclose having the features the common filter having a bandpass that is smaller than a bandwidth of the DTV signal; a correlation subsystem operatively connected to the common filter, the correlation subsystem operable to enable recovery of the synchronization bursts without demodulating the DTV signal by correlating the DTV signal with a known sequence that has been predistorted to account for the bandpass of the common filter. However, the examiner maintains that the features the common filter having a bandpass that is smaller than a bandwidth of the DTV signal; a correlation subsystem operatively connected to the common filter, the correlation subsystem operable to enable recovery of the synchronization bursts without demodulating the DTV signal by correlating the DTV signal with a known sequence that has been predistorted to account for the bandpass of the common filter was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz.

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In the same field of endeavor, Rabinowitz discloses the features
the bandpass filter (1507) which reads on the claimed “common filter” having a bandpass that is smaller than a bandwidth of the DTV signal (402) (see col. 11, lines 10-24; col. 14, lines 13-34; Figs. 4, 13, 15), where the user terminal (102) receives TV signals that are down converted to a narrower bandpass for the bandpass filter;

a correlator integrator (1516) which reads on the claimed “correlation subsystem” operatively connected to the bandpass filter (1507) which reads on the claimed “common filter”, the correlation subsystem (1516) operable to enable recovery of the synchronization bursts without demodulating (i.e., extracting) the DTV signal by correlating the DTV signal (402) with a known sequence that has been predistorted to account for the bandpass of the common filter (1507) (see col. 6, lines 43-52; col. 11, lines 10-24, 49-53; col. 11, line 58 - col. 12, line 9; col. 12, line 60 - col. 13, line 3; col. 14, lines 13-34; Figs. 4, 13, 15), where the user terminal (102) receives TV signals that are down converted to a narrower bandpass for the bandpass filter in which a correlator correlates the GCR signal burst of the TV signal that is used for locating the user terminal (102) (see col. 6, lines 43-52; Figs. 1-3). The timing information is extracted from the signal for correlating (see col. 13, lines 35-43).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker and Rabinowitz to have the feature the common filter having a bandpass that is smaller than a bandwidth of the DTV signal; a correlation subsystem operatively connected to the common filter, the correlation subsystem operable to enable recovery of the synchronization bursts without demodulating the DTV signal by correlating the DTV signal with a known sequence that has been

predistorted to account for the bandpass of the common filter, in order to provide have signal processing techniques for position location using signals present in a broadcast television signal, as taught by Rabinowitz (see col. 2, lines 24-27).

Regarding **claim 2**, Spilker discloses every limitation claimed as applied above in claim 1. Spilker does not specifically disclose the feature wherein the correlation subsystem correlates the DTV signal at least in part by searching a correlation window that is determined at least in part by an approximate location of the mobile terminal within a network. However, the examiner maintains that the feature wherein the correlation subsystem correlates the DTV signal at least in part by searching a correlation window that is determined at least in part by an approximate location of the mobile terminal within a network was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz.

Rabinowitz further discloses the feature wherein the correlation subsystem (1516) correlates the DTV signal (402) at least in part by searching a correlation window that is determined at least in part by an approximate location of the user terminal (102) which reads on the claimed “mobile terminal” within a network (see col. 11, lines 51-53; col. 13, lines 33-64; col. 6, lines 1-42; Figs. 1-4, 14).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker and Rabinowitz to have the feature wherein the correlation subsystem correlates the DTV signal at least in part by searching a correlation window that is determined at least in part by an approximate location of the mobile terminal within a network, in order to provide have signal processing

techniques for position location using signals present in a broadcast television signal, as taught by Rabinowitz (see col. 2, lines 24-27).

Regarding **claim 4**, the combination of Spilker and Rabinowitz discloses every limitation claimed, as applied above (see claim 1), in addition Spilker further discloses of the mobile terminal (102) of claim 1 further comprising a shared mixer (808A-B) operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem (see col. 14, lines 34-45; col. 10, lines 12-13; col. 8, lines 41 - col. 9, lines 1-7; Figs. 1, 2 “ref. 206 and 210”, and 6).

Regarding **claim 5**, Spilker discloses every limitation claimed as applied above in claim 4. Spilker does not specifically disclose having the feature a shared amplifier operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem. However, the examiner maintains that the feature a shared amplifier operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz.

Rabinowitz further discloses the feature a radio frequency amp/filter (406) which reads on the claimed “shared amplifier” operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem (see col. 11, lines 10-12; Figs. 4).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker and Rabinowitz to have the feature a shared amplifier operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem, in order to provide have signal processing techniques for position

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location using signals present in a broadcast television signal, as taught by Rabinowitz (see col. 2, lines 24-27).

Regarding **claim 6**, the combination of Spilker and Rabinowitz discloses every limitation claimed, as applied above (see claim 2), in addition Spilker further discloses of the mobile terminal (102) of claim 2 further comprising a shared mixer (808A-B) operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem (see col. 14, lines 34-45; col. 10, lines 12-13; col. 8, lines 41 - col. 9, lines 1-7; Figs. 1, 2 “ref. 206 and 210”, and 6).

Regarding **claim 7**, Spilker discloses every limitation claimed as applied above in claim 6. Spilker does not specifically disclose having the feature a shared amplifier operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem. However, the examiner maintains that the feature a shared amplifier operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz.

Rabinowitz further discloses the feature a radio frequency amp/filter (406) which reads on the claimed “shared amplifier” operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem (see col. 11, lines 10-12; Figs. 4).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker and Rabinowitz to have the feature a shared amplifier operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem, in order to provide have signal processing techniques for position

location using signals present in a broadcast television signal, as taught by Rabinowitz (see col. 2, lines 24-27).

Regarding **claim 10**, Spilker discloses a method of processing a digital television (DTV) signal for use as a terrestrial ranging signal in an user terminal (102) which reads on the claimed “mobile terminal” implementing a terrestrial ranging signal receiver (see col. 8, lines 22-39; Figs. 1 and 6), the method comprising:

receiving the DTV signal (see col. 8, lines 41-col. 9, lines 1-7; Figs. 1, 2 “ref. 210”, and 6),

the DTV signal comprising synchronization bursts (e.g., pulse) which are equally spaced in time (see col. 7, lines 28-48), where the TV signals have a synchronization pulse in which the equally spaced in time would be inherent because of the synchronization pulse as evidenced by the fact that one of ordinary skill in the art clearly recognized;

passing the DTV signal through an IF filter (812A-B) which reads on the claimed “common filter” (see col. 14, lines 34-45; Fig. 8). As a note, Spilker further teaches of receiving the DTV signal (see col. 8, lines 41-col. 9, lines 1-7; Figs. 1 2 “ref. 210”, and 6) in which the signal must be down-converted to meet the bandpass of the common filter (812A-B) (see col. 14, lines 34-45; Fig. 8). Also, Spilker further teaches of a correlation between timing of TV signals and base stations (see col. 8, lines 55-58). Spilker does not specifically disclose having the features a common filter having a bandpass that is smaller than a bandwidth of the DTV signal, but substantially equal to or greater than the bandwidth of a native radio signal; recovering the synchronization bursts without demodulating the DTV signal by correlating the DTV signal with a known sequence that has been predistorted to

account for the bandpass of the common filter. However, the examiner maintains that the features a common filter having a bandpass that is smaller than a bandwidth of the DTV signal, but substantially equal to or greater than the bandwidth of a native radio signal; recovering the synchronization bursts without demodulating the DTV signal by correlating the DTV signal with a known sequence that has been predistorted to account for the bandpass of the common filter was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz.

Rabinowitz further discloses the features

a bandpass filter (1507) which reads on the claimed “common filter” having a bandpass that is smaller than a bandwidth of the DTV signal (402), but substantially equal to or greater than the bandwidth of a native radio signal (see col. 11, lines 10-24; col. 14, lines 13-34; Figs. 4, 13, 15), where the user terminal (102) receives TV signals that are down converted to a narrower bandpass for the bandpass filter;

recovering the synchronization bursts without demodulating (i.e., extracting) the DTV signal by correlating the DTV signal (402) with a known sequence that has been predistorted to account for the bandpass of the common filter (1507) (see col. 6, lines 43-52; col. 11, lines 10-24, 49-53; col. 11, line 58 - col. 12, line 9; col. 12, line 60 - col. 13, line 3; col. 14, lines 13-34; Figs. 4, 13, 15), where the user terminal (102) receives TV signals that are down converted to a narrower bandpass for the bandpass filter in which a correlator correlates the GCR signal burst of the TV signal that is used for locating the user terminal (102) (see col. 6, lines 43-52; Figs. 1-3). The timing information is extracted from the signal for correlating (see col. 13, lines 35-43).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker and Rabinowitz to have the feature a common filter having a bandpass that is smaller than a bandwidth of the DTV signal, but substantially equal to or greater than the bandwidth of a native radio signal; recovering the synchronization bursts without demodulating the DTV signal by correlating the DTV signal with a known sequence that has been predistorted to account for the bandpass of the common filter, in order to provide have signal processing techniques for position location using signals present in a broadcast television signal, as taught by Rabinowitz (see col. 2, lines 24-27).

Regarding **claim 11**, Spilker discloses every limitation claimed as applied above in claim 10. Spilker does not specifically disclose the feature wherein the recovering of the synchronization bursts is accomplished at least in part by searching a correlation window that is determined at least in part by an approximate location of the mobile terminal within a network. However, the examiner maintains that the feature wherein the recovering of the synchronization bursts is accomplished at least in part by searching a correlation window that is determined at least in part by an approximate location of the mobile terminal within a network was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz.

Rabinowitz further discloses the feature wherein the recovering of the synchronization bursts is accomplished at least in part by searching a correlation window that is determined at least in part by an approximate location of the user terminal (102) which reads on the claimed “mobile terminal” within a network (see col. 11, lines 51-53; col. 13, lines 33-64; col. 6, lines 1-42; Figs. 1-4, 14).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker and Rabinowitz to have the feature wherein the recovering of the synchronization bursts is accomplished at least in part by searching a correlation window that is determined at least in part by an approximate location of the mobile terminal within a network, in order to provide have signal processing techniques for position location using signals present in a broadcast television signal, as taught by Rabinowitz (see col. 2, lines 24-27).

Regarding **claim 13**, Spilker discloses an apparatus providing user terminal (102) which reads on the claimed “mobile terminal” and terrestrial ranging signal function (see col. 8, lines 22-39; Figs. 1 and 6), the apparatus comprising:

means for receiving the digital television (DTV) signal for use as a terrestrial ranging signal (see col. 8, lines 41-col. 9, lines 1-7; Figs. 1, 2 “ref. 210”, and 6),

the DTV signal comprising synchronization bursts (e.g., pulse) which are equally spaced in time (see col. 7, lines 28-48), where the TV signals have a synchronization pulse in which the equally spaced in time would be inherent because of the synchronization pulse as evidenced by the fact that one of ordinary skill in the art clearly recognized;

means for passing the DTV signal through an IF filter (812A-B) which reads on the claimed “common filter” (see col. 14, lines 34-45; Fig. 8). As a note, Spilker further teaches of receiving the DTV signal (see col. 8, lines 41-col. 9, lines 1-7; Figs. 1 2 “ref. 210”, and 6) in which the signal must be down-converted to meet the bandpass of the common filter (812A-B) (see col. 14, lines 34-45; Fig. 8). Also, Spilker further teaches of a correlation between timing of TV signals and base stations (see col. 8, lines 55-58). Spilker does not

specifically disclose having the features a common filter having a bandpass that is smaller than a bandwidth of the DTV signal, but substantially equal to or greater than the bandwidth of a native radio signal; means for recovering the synchronization bursts without demodulating the DTV signal by correlating the DTV signal with a known sequence that has been predistorted to account for the bandpass of the common filter. However, the examiner maintains that the features a common filter having a bandpass that is smaller than a bandwidth of the DTV signal, but substantially equal to or greater than the bandwidth of a native radio signal; means for recovering the synchronization bursts without demodulating the DTV signal by correlating the DTV signal with a known sequence that has been predistorted to account for the bandpass of the common filter was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz.

Rabinowitz further discloses the features

a bandpass filter (1507) which reads on the claimed “common filter” having a bandpass that is smaller than a bandwidth of the DTV signal (402), but substantially equal to or greater than the bandwidth of a native radio signal (see col. 11, lines 10-24; col. 14, lines 13-34; Figs. 4, 13, 15), where the user terminal (102) receives TV signals that are down converted to a narrower bandpass for the bandpass filter;

means for recovering the synchronization bursts without demodulating (i.e., extracting) the DTV signal by correlating the DTV signal (402) with a known sequence that has been predistorted to account for the bandpass of the common filter (1507) (see col. 6, lines 43-52; col. 11, lines 10-24, 49-53; col. 11, line 58 - col. 12, line 9; col. 12, line 60 - col. 13, line 3; col. 14, lines 13-34; Figs. 4, 13, 15), where the user terminal (102) receives TV signals that

are down converted to a narrower bandpass for the bandpass filter in which a correlator correlates the GCR signal burst of the TV signal that is used for locating the user terminal (102) (see col. 6, lines 43-52; Figs. 1-3). The timing information is extracted from the signal for correlating (see col. 13, lines 35-43).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker and Rabinowitz to have the feature a common filter having a bandpass that is smaller than a bandwidth of the DTV signal, but substantially equal to or greater than the bandwidth of a native radio signal; means for recovering the synchronization bursts without demodulating the DTV signal by correlating the DTV signal with a known sequence that has been predistorted to account for the bandpass of the common filter, in order to provide have signal processing techniques for position location using signals present in a broadcast television signal, as taught by Rabinowitz (see col. 2, lines 24-27).

Regarding **claim 14**, Spilker discloses every limitation claimed as applied above in claim 13. Spilker does not specifically disclose the feature wherein the means for recovering further comprises means for searching a correlation window that is determined by an approximate location of the mobile terminal within a network. However, the examiner maintains that the feature wherein the means for recovering further comprises means for searching a correlation window that is determined by an approximate location of the mobile terminal within a network was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz.

Rabinowitz further discloses the feature wherein the means for recovering further comprises means for searching a correlation window that is determined by an approximate

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location of the mobile terminal (102) within a network (see col. 11, lines 51-53; col. 13, lines 33 - col. 14, line 11; col. 6, lines 1-42; Figs. 1-4, 14).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker and Rabinowitz to have the feature wherein the means for recovering further comprises means for searching a correlation window that is determined by an approximate location of the mobile terminal within a network, in order to provide have signal processing techniques for position location using signals present in a broadcast television signal, as taught by Rabinowitz (see col. 2, lines 24-27).

Claims 3, 8-9, 12, and 15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Spilker et al.** (hereinafter Spilker) (**US 6,717,547 B2**) in view of **Rabinowitz et al.** (hereinafter Rabinowitz ('297)) (**US 6,522,297 B1**) as applied to claim 1, 10, and 13 above, and further in view of **Rabinowitz et al.** (hereinafter Rabinowitz ('294)) (**US 20020144294 A1**).

Regarding **claim 3**, Spilker discloses every limitation claimed as applied above in claim 1. Spilker does not specifically disclose having the feature wherein the correlation subsystem correlates the DTV signal at least in part by performing multiple correlations at times separated by one over a known rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts. However, the examiner maintains that the feature wherein the correlation subsystem correlates the DTV signal at least in part by performing multiple correlations was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz ('297).

In the same field of endeavor, Rabinowitz ('297) discloses the feature wherein the correlation subsystem (1516) correlates the DTV signal (402) at least in part by performing multiple correlations (see col. 11, lines 51-53; col. 11, line 59 - col. 12, line 9; col. 14, lines 13-35; Figs. 4, 15).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker and Rabinowitz to have the feature wherein the correlation subsystem correlates the DTV signal at least in part by performing multiple correlations, in order to provide have signal processing techniques for position location using signals present in a broadcast television signal, as taught by Rabinowitz (see col. 2, lines 24-27). The combination of Spilker and Rabinowitz ('297) does not specifically disclose the feature correlations at times separated by one over a known rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts. However, the examiner maintains that the feature correlations at times separated by one over a known rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz ('294).

In the same field of endeavor, Rabinowitz ('294) further discloses the feature correlations at times separated by one over a known rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts (see pg. 5, [0074-0076]; Fig. 4), where the correlator uses the time samples of the segments for autocorrelation of the signal in which the segments of the signal relate to the synchronization bursts.

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker, Rabinowitz ('297), and Rabinowitz ('294) to have the feature correlations at times separated by one over a known

rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts, in order to determine a position of the user terminal, as taught by Rabinowitz ('294) (see abstract, [0009]).

Regarding **claim 8**, the combination of Spilker, Rabinowitz ('297), and Rabinowitz ('294) discloses every limitation claimed, as applied above (see claim 3), in addition Spilker further discloses the mobile terminal (102) of claim 3 further comprising a shared mixer (808A-B) operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem (see col. 14, lines 34-45; col. 10, lines 12-13; col. 8, lines 41 - col. 9, lines 1-7; Figs. 1, 2 "ref. 206 and 210", and 6).

Regarding **claim 9**, Spilker discloses every limitation claimed as applied above in claim 8. Spilker does not specifically disclose having the feature a shared amplifier operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem. However, the examiner maintains that the feature a shared amplifier operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz ('297).

Rabinowitz ('297) further discloses the feature a radio frequency amp/filter (406) which reads on the claimed "shared amplifier" operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem (see col. 11, lines 10-12; Figs. 4).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker, Rabinowitz ('294), and Rabinowitz ('297) to have the feature a shared amplifier operatively connected to the radio subsystem and the ranging signal receiving subsystem, in order to provide have signal

processing techniques for position location using signals present in a broadcast television signal, as taught by Rabinowitz ('297) (see col. 2, lines 24-27).

Regarding **claim 12**, Spilker discloses every limitation claimed as applied above in claim 10. Spilker does not specifically disclose having the feature wherein the recovering of the synchronization bursts is accomplished at least in part by performing multiple correlations at times separated by one over a known rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts. However, the examiner maintains that the feature wherein the recovering of the synchronization bursts is accomplished at least in part by performing multiple correlations was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz ('297).

Rabinowitz ('297) further discloses the feature wherein the recovering of the synchronization bursts is accomplished at least in part by performing multiple correlations (see col. 11, lines 51-53; col. 11, line 59 - col. 12, line 9; col. 14, lines 13-35; Figs. 4, 15).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker and Rabinowitz ('297) to have the feature wherein the recovering of the synchronization bursts is accomplished at least in part by performing multiple correlations, in order to provide have signal processing techniques for position location using signals present in a broadcast television signal, as taught by Rabinowitz (see col. 2, lines 24-27). The combination of Spilker and Rabinowitz ('297) does not specifically disclose the feature correlations at times separated by one over a known rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts. However, the examiner maintains that the feature correlations at times separated by one over a known rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz ('294).

Rabinowitz ('294) further discloses the feature correlations at times separated by one over a known rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts (see pg. 5, [0074-0076]; Fig. 4), where the correlator uses the time samples of the segments for autocorrelation of the signal in which the segments of the signal relate to the synchronization bursts.

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker, Rabinowitz ('297), and Rabinowitz ('294) to have the feature correlations at times separated by one over a known rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts, in order to determine a position of the user terminal, as taught by Rabinowitz ('294) (see abstract, [0009]).

Regarding **claim 15**, Spilker discloses every limitation claimed as applied above in claim 13. Spilker does not specifically disclose having the feature wherein the means for recovering further comprises means for performing multiple correlations at times separated by one over a known rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts. However, the examiner maintains that the feature wherein the means for recovering further comprises means for was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz ('297).

Rabinowitz ('297) discloses the feature wherein the means for recovering further comprises means for performing multiple correlations (see - col. 11, lines 51-53; col. 11, line 59 - col. 12, line 9; col. 14, lines 13-35; Figs. 4, 15).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker and Rabinowitz ('297) to have the feature wherein the means for recovering further comprises means for performing

multiple correlations, in order to provide have signal processing techniques for position location using signals present in a broadcast television signal, as taught by Rabinowitz (see col. 2, lines 24-27). The combination of Spilker and Rabinowitz ('297) fails to disclose the feature correlations at times separated by one over a known rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts. However, the examiner maintains that the feature correlations at times separated by one over a known rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts was well known in the art, as taught by Rabinowitz ('294).

Rabinowitz ('294) further discloses the feature correlations at times separated by one over a known rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts (see pg. 5, [0074-0076]; Fig. 4), where the correlator uses the time samples of the segments for autocorrelation of the signal in which the segments of the signal relate to the synchronization bursts.

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Spilker, Rabinowitz ('297), and Rabinowitz ('294) to have the feature correlations at times separated by one over a known rate of occurrence of the synchronization bursts, in order to autocorrelate the TV signal of DTV towers for determining the location of a handset, as taught by Rabinowitz ('294).

Response to Arguments

4. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-15 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.
5. **Claim 1** recites the limitation "...**correlation subsystem** operable to enable recovery of the synchronization bursts without demodulating the DTV signal..." in lines 10-11 of the claim. Also, claims 10 and 13 include similar language. Paragraph [0018] of the specification recites the language "...no actual information needs to be demodulated from a DTV signal..." which is similar to the language of claim 1. However, the subject matter of claim 1 recites the feature "...**correlation subsystem**..." as the operable component but there is no mention of the feature "...**correlation subsystem**..." in paragraph [0018] of the specification. The Examiner respectfully requests the applicant to provide page(s), line(s), and figure(s) of the instant application that supports the limitation of the claim(s) and/or any supportive comment(s) to help clarify and resolve this issue(s).

Conclusion

6. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory

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period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Willie J. Daniel, Jr. whose telephone number is (571) 272-7907. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Marsha D. Banks-Harold can be reached on (571) 272-7905. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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